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SUBJECT:

We've gotten a few additional
inquiries like the attached.
Thanks for your help.



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Senator Fred Thompson
United States Senate
506 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510

April 27, 1995

Dear Senator Thompson:

This is a request from me, as an American businessman, for your personal attention and help in a problem and dispute with the E.P.A. who my Nashville area colleagues and I feel are being unfair, unreliable, and vindictive in the use of their power.

There may be as many as 1000 or more companies in the Middle Tennessee area with large numbers of motor vehicles who during the 1970's used the SAAD Company as a source to pick up and dispose of used oil. The SAADS' operated a waste oil recycling facility, and were the popular company that many dealers and companies with large fleets of vehicles used as the source for handling used oil.

Unfortunately, and completely unknown to us, we learned many years later that the SAAD Company had contaminated a small lot they owned (100 feet by 60 feet) near the Radnor railyards.

Although the E.P.A. had known of the problem since 1980, the first we heard of it was in 1989 when they notified us that we were to clean up the area. By this time our problem had been classified as too small for E.P.A. and fell under State jurisdiction. Nevertheless E.P.A. stayed on our case.

Since 1989 our group, called the SAAD SITE STEERING COMMITTEE has required all of us represented to spend many millions of dollars, digging, draining, and hauling millions of pounds of dirt and debris, and removing old tanks and equipment. Three times the E.P.A. agreed with us that one more dig would be sufficient. Each time they reneged and asked for more. Now they are threatening us with a "unilateral order" under their SUPERFUND law, and we are not even a federally listed E.P.A. SUPERFUND SITE and never have been. We should have been under the State of Tennessee law all along.

We believe the E.P.A. is acting in an arbitrary, unreasonable approach to our case and we ask that you investigate our complaint.

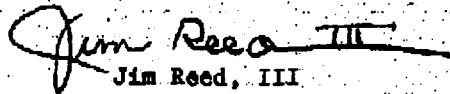
A complete history is attached which tells the entire story in detail if anyone wants to know the complete facts. Its length prompted me to summarize in my letter.

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Our chairperson is Andrew Goddard (Bass, Berry & Sims, 2700 First American Center, Nashville, TN 37238 (615-742-6224). Please contact Mr. Goddard if you have any questions or need additional information.

Again, won't you try to help us?

Sincerely,


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